## STAFF REPORT

TO:
FROM:
VIA:
MEETING DATE: February 24, 2021
SUBJECT:
Brian Dossey, City Manager

Mayor and Members of the City Council
Pak Lin, Admin. Services Director

FY 2020-21 Mid-Year Investment Report

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council make the following motion:
MOTION ACCEPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 ANNUAL INVESTMENT REPORT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Town's unrestricted cash and investment totals $\$ 27.22$ million as of December 31, 2020. On December 31, 2020, the Town has $\$ 5.91$ million in Cash-in-Bank, $\$ 2.13$ million in the State's investment pool Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF), $\$ 14.05$ million in the San Mateo County Investment Pool (SMCIF), and $\$ 5.13$ million in brokered CDs. Through December 31, 2020, the total portfolio earnings are $\$ 133,558$, or $40 \%$ of the FY 2020-21 amended budget.

In August 2020, the Town transferred $\$ 1.5$ million from the SMCIF to the general bank to cover the $\$ 2.8$ million Mission Road capital improvement project costs. Without this transfer, the average Cash-in-Bank balance would be $\$ 2.1$ million, uncomfortably low for the Town.

The Town has three restricted funds, with $\$ 4.81$ million in OPEB trust, $\$ 1.45$ million in pension trust, and $\$ 1.14$ in the debt custody account. Both OPEB and pension trusts are managed by Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) and are classified as IRC Section 115 irrevocable trusts. The debt custody account is held in the Bank of New York Mellon and is designated for the COP debt repayment.

## FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact in accepting this investment report.

## BACKGROUND

Periodically, the City Council reviews and approves the Town's investment policy for compliance with State statute (California Government Code Section $\S 53600$, et seq.) and sets investment guidelines for the safekeeping of public funds. For day-to-day operations, the City Council designated the City Manager, or his designee, to maintain cash balances to meet daily operational needs and to keep the Town's purchasing power through safe and secure investments. Most of
the Town investments are placed in the State and the San Mateo County investment pools, which invest funds for more than one public agency. Both pools comply with the State statute and allocate most of their funds in agency and treasury bonds.

The City Manager or his designee is required to review the Town's investment policy annually and to provide semi-annual investment updates. The Investment Policy was last reviewed and approved by the City Council on July 24, 2019 and no change is proposed at this time.

This report summarizes the investment activities for the first half of the Fiscal Year 2020-21. It includes the beginning and ending balances by quarter; net Deposits and Withdrawals by quarter; total interest earned by quarter; the effective annual interest rates earned by quarter; and the cumulative weighted average. This report provides the required information, including additional narrative explanations.

## ANALYSIS

On December 31, 2020, the Town has a balance of $\$ 33,478,006$ in various cash and investment accounts. Unrestricted cash and investment has an aggregate balance of $\$ 27,215,965$ and restricted investments total $\$ 6,262,041$. The restricted funds consist of $\$ 4,811,567$ in PARS OPEB Trust to fund future retiree medical and dental costs, $\$ 1,450,473$ in PARS Pension trust to fund future pension costs, and $\$ 1.14$ in Bank of New York Mellon to offset debt payments.


The unrestricted funds of $\$ 27,215,965$ include $\$ 5,909,567$ in Cash-in-Bank, $\$ 16,171,963$ in the State (LAIF) and county (SMCIF) pools, and $\$ 5,134,435$ in brokered CDs. The pooled accounts focus on liquidity and safekeeping of the assets. The investment strategy for both pools invests $50 \%$ or more in agency and treasury bonds and the rest in high-quality low-risk investments. The brokered CDs are limited to $\$ 250,000$ per issuer and are fully insured by FDIC or NCUSIF.

## Transaction Activity

| Balance | Balance | Increase/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $@ 12 / 31 / 2019$ | $@ 12 / 31 / 2020$ | (Decrease) |

## Town of Colma Cash \& Investment

| Cash In Bank | \$ | 5,343,979 | \$ | 5,909,567 | \$ | 565,588 |
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| Public Agency Investment Pools |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) |  | 2,079,500 |  | 2,126,605 |  | 47,105 |
| San Mateo County Investment Fund (SMCIF) |  | 15,276,729 |  | 14,045,358 |  | (1,231,371) |
| Other Investment |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brokered CDs |  | 4,959,582 |  | 5,134,435 |  | 174,853 |
| Total Cash \& Investment | \$ | 27,659,790 | \$ | 27,215,965 | \$ | $(443,826)$ |

Overall, the Town's unrestricted cash \& investments decreased by $\$ 443,826$.

- The increase of $\$ 565,588$ in Cash-in-Bank results from Town operation.
- The increase of $\$ 47,105$ in LAIF represents interest earnings distributed in July 2020 and October 2020 for the prior quarter's earnings.
- The decrease of $\$ 1,231,371$ in SMCIF includes interest earnings of $\$ 268,629$ and a one-time transfer of $\$ 1.5$ million to Cash-in-Bank to offset the impact of the COVID-19 recession and to prepare for the upcoming capital spending. The construction phase of the $\$ 2.8$ million Mission Road project began in the Summer of 2020. The corresponding grants totaling $\$ 835,000$ are reimbursed after payments have occurred.
- The increase of $\$ 174,853$ in brokered CDs compromises $\$ 79,957$ in interest earnings, $\$ 160,041$ in Net Change in Portfolio, and $\$ 65,145$ transfer of interest earnings to Cash-in-Bank. Net Change in Portfolio represents the difference between market price and the beginning balance. The Net Change in Portfolio will be transferred to the Town's Cash-in-Bank when the CDs mature or when called. The purchase price of the CDs totals \$4,960,000.

FY 2020-21 Investment Summary by Quarter

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2020Q3 } \\ @ 9 / 30 / 2020 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2020Q4 } \\ @ 12 / 31 / 2020 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Sep '20 - Dec '20 } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning Balance | \$ | 2,114,383.69 | \$ | 2,122,098.67 | \$ | 2,114,383.69 |  |  |
| Purchases / Deposits |  | - |  | - |  | - |  |  |
| Withdrawals |  | - |  | - |  | - |  |  |
| Interest Posted |  | 7,714.98 |  | 4,506.23 |  | 12,221.21 |  |  |
| Ending Balance | \$ | 2,122,098.67 | \$ | 2,126,604.90 | \$ | 2,126,604.90 |  |  |
| San Mateo County Investment Fund (SMCIF) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning Balance | \$ | 15,426,170.66 | \$ | 13,988,084.50 | \$ | 15,426,170.66 |  |  |
| Purchases / Deposits |  | - ${ }^{-}$ |  | - |  | -500, |  |  |
| Withdrawals |  | (1,500,000.00) |  | - |  | (1,500,000.00) |  |  |
| Interest Posted |  | 61,913.84 |  | 57,273.63 |  | 119,187.47 |  |  |
| Ending Balance | \$ | 13,988,084.50 | \$ | 14,045,358.13 | \$ | 14,045,358.13 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | TEs on Brokered CD: |
| Brokered CDs |  |  |  |  |  |  | [1] | Withdrawals represent the amount of interest/ dividend transferred back to the Town's general bank account. This is a monthly transfer and the sole purpose is to keep the brokered CD purchase value at $\$ 5.0$ million or less. |
| Beginning Balance | \$ | 5,131,181.47 | \$ | 5,136,881.22 | \$ | 5,131,181.47 |  |  |
| Purchases / Deposits |  | -- |  | - |  | - - |  |  |
| Withdrawals |  | (29,399.81) |  | $(14,098.57)$ |  | $(43,498.38)$ |  |  |
| Dividend/Interest Posted [1] |  | 10,686.46 |  | 24,786.27 |  | 35,472.73 |  |  |
| Net Change in Portfolio [2] |  | 24,413.10 |  | $(13,134.03)$ |  | 11,279.07 |  |  |
| Ending Balance | \$ | 5,136,881.22 | \$ | 5,134,434.89 | \$ | 5,134,434.89 |  |  |
| Total Investment Portfolio |  |  |  |  |  |  | [2] | Net Change in Portfolio represents the difference in closing market value of the investment and the beginning value. |
| Beginning Balance | \$ | 22,671,735.82 | \$ | 21,247,064.39 | \$ | 22,671,735.82 |  |  |
| Purchases / Deposits |  | (1529 399 81) |  | (14,098 57) |  | (1,543,498 38 ) |  |  |
| Withdrawals |  | (1,529,399.81) |  | (14,098.57) |  | (1,543,498.38) |  |  |
| Interest Posted |  | 80,315.28 |  | 86,566.13 |  | 166,881.41 |  |  |
| Net Change in Portfolio |  | 24,413.10 |  | $(13,134.03)$ |  | 11,279.07 |  |  |
| Ending Balance | \$ | 21,247,064.39 | \$ | 21,306,397.92 | \$ | 21,306,397.92 |  |  |

## Earnings / Distribution of Portfolio

The Town's investment portfolio performed as expected, with a weighted average of $1.124 \%$ in 2020Q3 and 0.916\% in 2020Q4. The reduction in weighted average is typical of the bond market during economic uncertainties. When the market behaves unpredictably, debt/bond investments become more attractive, allowing companies to refinance the debt/bond at a lower interest rate. Due to the COVID-19 recession, eight issuers recalled their bonds. The average estimated yield for the eight original CDs was $1.956 \%$. The replacement CDs averages $0.850 \%$. The replacement CDs were the highest yielding CDs at the time of the replacement. The full list of brokered CDs is available in Attachment A.

FY 2020-21 Portfolio Earnings by Quarter


## REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDED ACTION

The receipt of this report complies with the adopted Town Investment Policy.

## COUNCIL ADOPTED VALUES

A periodic review of the Town's investment performance aligns with the City Council adopted responsibility value. It exemplifies financial accountabilities and ensures the safekeeping of public funds.

## CONCLUSION

Staff recommends the City Council receive and accept the report.

## ATTACHMENT

A. Brokered CD Investment Summary

Brokered CDs Investment Summary
From December 1, 2019 through Maturity


| Summary by Fiscal Year |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maturity | Total | Average <br> Weighted <br> Year |
| Principal | Rate |  | | 2021 | $\$ 745,000$ | 1.750 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2022 | $\$ 743,000$ | 1.750 |
| 2023 | $\$ 498,000$ | 1.813 |
| 2024 | $\$ 990,000$ | 2.000 |
| 2025 | $\$ 1,984,000$ | 0.850 |
| Total | $\$ 4,960,000$ | 1.573 |

